

St Peter Apostle Mission Parish

38 Guinane Avenue, Hoppers Crossing 3029
Archdiocese of Melbourne

Committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of children and vulnerable adults



4 February 2018 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B



DEVOTIONAL PRAYER FOR JANUARY

Prayer for All Mankind

Father of all, as we begin the New Year let your peace, mercy and kindness be experienced by all people that they may come to know and love you, the one true God, their Lord and their Father.

Make yourself known to those who do not know you; may those who seek you find you.

Of your compassion, may every sorrow be comforted, every need supplied, every evil averted, every wrong righted, every hope realised. Amen.

Entrance

O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

Antiphon

1st Reading

A reading from the prophet Job.

Job 7:1-4, 6-7

Job began to speak: Is not man's life on earth nothing more than pressed service, his time no better than hired drudgery? Like the slave, sighing for the shade, or the workman with no thought but his wages, months of delusion I have assigned to me, nothing for my own but nights of grief. Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be day?' Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!' Restlessly I fret till twilight falls. Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days have passed, and vanished, leaving no hope behind. Remember that my life is but a breath, and that my eyes will never again see joy.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial

Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

Psalm

2nd Reading

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

1 Cor 9:16-19,
22-23

I do not boast of preaching the gospel, since it is a duty which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is this in my preaching, to be able to offer the Good News free, and not insist on the rights which the gospel gives me. So though I am not a slave of any man I have made myself the slave of everyone so as to win. as to win as many as I could. For the weak I made myself weak. I made myself all things to all men in order to save some at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel, to have a share in its blessing.

The Word of the Lord.

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Fri: 9:00am – 3:30pm

CONTACT DETAILS

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Fr. Vincent John CMI
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WEEKEND MASSES

Sat: 6:00pm
Sun: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm
Filipino – 4th Sun: 12:00pm
Polish – 1st Sun: 3:30pm
Spanish – 1st & 3rd Sun: 12:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 8:30am
Wed: 8:30am & 7:00pm
Sat: 9:15am

CONFESSIONS

Wed: After 7:00pm Mass
Sat: After 9:15am Mass

DEVOTIONS

First Friday: 7:00pm to 10:00pm
Morning Prayer

Mon to Fri 7:50am

Sat 9:00am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tue to Thu 8:00am

Fri: 9:00am & Divine Mercy

Chaplet

Sat: 2:30pm

Next Healing Mass

3rd Mar 18, 1:30 to 4:30pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena

Wed after 7:00pm Mass

Rosary

Mon to Fri 8:10am

Sat 8:40am

Sun 8:10am

BAPTISMS

3rd, 4th, 5th Sunday

10:30am or 2:15pm

Baptism Formation Meeting

1st Monday of the month, 7:00pm

WEDDINGS

By Appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK, HOUSE BLESSINGS & VISITS

Call Parish Office on 9749 4300

ALL QUERIES

ROSTERS

Gospel
Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. He bore our sickness, and endured our suffering. **Alleluia!**

Gospel
Mk 1:29-39

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them. That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The whole town came crowding round the door, and he cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not allow them to speak, because they knew who he was. In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in search of him, and when they found him they said, 'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.' And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion
Antiphon

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

Next Week's
Readings

Lev 13:1-2,44-46; 1 Cor 10:31-11:1; Mk 1:40-45

Feasts of the
Week

St. Agatha Mon, 5 Feb
St. Paul Miki & companions Tue, 6 Feb
St. Scholastica Sat, 10 Feb

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MOVIE NIGHT

Many thanks to all who attended the Movie Night held on January 24th 2018. The night was a success and we raised \$500 which will go towards the Young Adults events during the year. Our next event is planned for around the holiday on March 12th 2018. Details to follow. If you have any comments or queries, please email us at spyoungadults18@gmail.com. Thank you for your support of our ministry.

Young Adults Group.

Money Counters 11 Feb 18

Royden D'Souza / Pravin A. / Clarence D'Souza

Readers – 10/11 Feb 18

6:00pm	Wilfred D'Cruz
8:30am	Lerna Vasquez
10:30am	Sharon Aurubia
5:00pm	Melanie Etiennette

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion 10/11 Feb 18

6:00pm	M. Maple / Davy F. / S. Martis / Praful A.
8:30am	G. Sharman / K. English / L&B Jones
10:30am	S. Colla / Sally DiB / F. Caruana / V. Firman
5:00pm	D&A Etiennette / 2 X Volunteers

Music Ministry – 10/11 Feb 18

6:00pm	Footsteps
8:30am	Shirley & Group
10:30am	Youth Band
5:00pm	Shepherds of Christ

PARISH NEWS

FAREWELL TO JOSEPHINE THOMAS, PARISH SECRETARY

A farewell will be held for our Parish Secretary Josephine and her husband Buxton Thomas on Sunday, 11th February 2018 after the 10:30am Mass. We thank Josephine for all she has done for the parish in her roles over the past 11+ years as Parish Secretary and Leader of St. Peter's Charismatic Community. As Josephine, Buxton and their family make Brisbane their new home, we wish them well and pray that God will shower them with abundant blessings as they start this new stage in their lives. We request you to kindly bring a plate of food to share at the fellowship after Mass.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP – COMMENCES THIS SUNDAY

Our Young Adults Group for ages 18-29 yrs will meet in the Theatrette (near parish office) every Sunday commencing February 4th, 2018 from 6:00pm onward to worship, pray, hear talks, read the bible and learn more about God together. We will also have a free DINNER every week!. All young adults welcome. Enquiries contact Angelique on 0420 338 231.

PIETY STORE

Due to construction work soon to begin on the Church, the Piety Store will be closed after **February 4th** until the work is completed. You have two weekends to purchase any items you need. Please also note that Columban Calendars will not be available after 4th February.

READERS AND COMMUNION MINISTERS – AVAILABILITY FORMS

Thank you to all the Readers and Communion Ministers who have completed the forms and returned them to the Office. There are still a few out in Hall and we would appreciate if these could be completed this week and returned to the office. *Thank you.*

BIBLE STUDY STARTS AGAIN

Bible study recommences on February 12th at 7:00pm in the Community Centre. This year we will be learning the Gospel of Matthew. All are welcome to an interactive study of the Bible and its implications in our day to day life. Enquiries please call Royden on 0426 071 375

IMPORTANT DATES FOR PARISH

Sundays	- 6:15 to 8:15pm HSI School of Discipleship in Community Centre - Young Adults (18 -29 years) meet in Theatre from 6:00pm
Mon 5 Feb	7:00pm Baptism Formation Meeting In Church

4TH FEBRUARY 2018 – 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed. He told them, ‘Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.’” – Mark 1:35, 38

In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus makes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we find the strength to do what He wishes us to do. Be sure to find time every day to be with God.

ST PETER'S CHARISMATIC PRAYER COMMUNITY

Our Prayer Community have commenced their weekly gathering with Healing Mass this Saturday the 3rd February 2018 at 1.30pm. Our weekly Adoration and Prayer Meeting will be at 2.30pm every Saturday in the Church. All are welcome. Fellowship thereafter, in the Community Centre at 4.30pm. Please note that on the First Saturday of each month, Healing Mass will be at 1.30pm.

We have a few events happening with our prayer community in the coming weeks, like the Renewal Day and Annual Pilgrimage at Shrine Ta Pinu, etc, so please have a look at our parish bulletin for notices about these special events.

IMPORTANT LENTEN INFORMATION

- Ash Wednesday, 14th February. **Day of fast and abstinence.** Masses at 8:30am and 7:00pm, School Mass at 10:00am.
- Project Compassion commences 14th February until 1st April 2018. Project Compassion Envelopes and Boxes will be available in the church and hall. Your donations are greatly appreciated.
- Starting **16th February**, there will be Stations of the Cross **each Friday at 7:00pm** followed by Mass.
- The Divine Mercy Novena will start after the Good Friday service.
- Lenten Regulations from the Vicar General have been placed on the noticeboards.

SUNDAY SCHOOL enrolments will be taken this **Sunday 4th Feb from 9:15am till 11:00am.** Sunday School Classes start the following Sunday 11th Feb from 9:15am till 10:25am. Enrolments will continue to be taken for a few weeks.

Also, we are still seeking a dedicated person to join our team of Catechists, working with the Children. Enquiries to Bernice on 9749-2812.

PROMISED WEEKLY AMOUNT:	\$4236.00
ENVELOPES/CR CARD/BANK CR:	\$3457.05
CHURCH A/C:	\$1227.40
PRESBYTERY A/C:	\$1100.20
CHAPLAINCY	\$ 509.70

RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for Crispin Garcia, Cathy Duggen, Norma Armstrong, Alexander Donaldson and all who passed away recently.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: We pray for John Backerra, Jack and John Hartshorn, Kathleen and Chris McCormick, Brian Golding, Doris, Stanley & Pauline Harlow, Betty Roberts, Kevin Waters, Margaret Alice Jones, Brian Smith, Mary Miller, Katalin Frank, Josefina Paderes, Angustias Villagrancia, Hilarion Combate, Fr Alej Plaza Jr.svd, Vicente Catalon and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: We pray for Shirley & Leo Linehan, Angela O'Brien, Lydia (Aleida) Van Susteren, Peter McGlade, Gary Spotswood, Stan Walkden, Sean Donaldson, Liam Parr, Carmel Negline, Edith Street, Brian & Irene Jones, Dot Mulquinney, Georgette Maalouf, Jamilton Dabu, Carmen Mifsud, Bob Meehan, Anthony Devientis, Frank Fazio, Thelma Foxcroft and all who are ill in our Parish.